



**FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION**

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September 16, 2010

Mr. Ramzi Murad  
You Empower Our Community  
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**RE: FPPC No. 08/677; Safe Beaches Coalition, You Empower Our Community and Freepb.Org**

Dear Mr. Murad:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"),<sup>1</sup> found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is in response to a sworn complaint filed against you that alleged you were in violation of the Act's campaign reporting disclosure requirements.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case, but has deferred to the stipulated settlement you entered into with the San Diego Ethics Commission. This stipulation, in San Diego Ethics Commission Case No. 2008-71, covered the same factual circumstances and violations of the Act that were the subject of the complaint against you filed with the FPPC. As such, we are closing this case without further action.

You should be aware that future violations of the Act may subject you to a fine of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per violation. ,

The Commission publishes forms and manuals to facilitate compliance with the provisions of the Act and provides guidance regarding your obligations over the telephone and through written advice. If you need assistance, please call the Commission's Technical Assistance Division at 1-866-275-3772 or visit our website at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov).

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<sup>1</sup> The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

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Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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✓ GARY S. WINUK  
Chief, Enforcement Division

cc: James Lantry